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MEMORANDUM FOR: Major General Robert A. Breitwieser, Chief
Director for Intelligence
The Joint Staff

SUBJECT: Joint Staff Overall Intelligence Estimate for
Planning, Part I, Volume I

1. We have carefully examined the subject Joint Staff paper from the point of view of its consistency with current National Intelligence Estimates. We have noted in an attachment several paragraphs or statements which do not appear entirely consistent with NIE's but which could be made so by relatively simple changes.

2. However, we have a more basic difficulty with this draft. It is, essentially, an effort to present in summary form for military planners the broad range of analysis and argument concerning Soviet courses of action which we have recently treated in NIE 11-4-59. In the process of briefing the discussion, much material essential to a balanced and full view of Soviet policy has been omitted. For example, the discussion in Parts IV, V, and VI of the Joint Staff paper does not reflect much of the material in Chapter VI, NIE 11-4-59, which we consider important. At the same time there are a number of paragraphs in the Joint Staff paper, which, while not individually inconsistent, are so simplified that their cumulative impact is quite different from that of equivalent passages in NIE 11-4-59.

3. The result of this effort at a brief description of Soviet policy is, we believe, to leave the reader with the impression (a) that all Soviet actions are impelled and guided by the objective of "world domination" as an immediate, operable goal; and (b) that the primary means for achieving this objective is military conquest. Such a view is not consistent with our approach to Soviet policy in NIE 11-4-59.

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